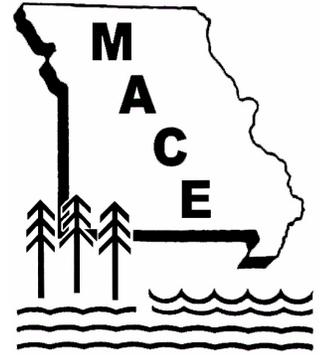




Missouri Association of Code Enforcement



2009 Conference

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The 2009 MACE conference
University Plaza Hotel
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The 2009 MACE conference is fast approaching. **Make your room reservations now, \$92.00 per night.** Please plan on joining us for some great educational classes and networking opportunities. We will have two ICC speakers offering the much needed CEU's for legal aspects of code enforcement as well as utilizing the International property maintenance code. (These classes will be helpful for all of you who are looking to take your ICC certification exams). A class on electrical safety and an open discussion for strategic planning for MACE will close out our week. We will be holding our first annual dinner banquet as well as planned evening activities.



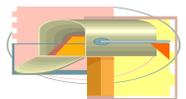
Please take a minute to nominate the person you think should be recognized this year as MACE's Code Enforcement Officer of the Year. Please fill out the enclosed form and return it to tgray@belton.org or mail to 520 Main St. Belton Mo 64012 Att.: Tamara Gray no later than February 25, 2009.

The following board positions will be up for election this year.

1st Vice president– Conference chair. This position will automatically ascend to the presidency in two years

3rd Vice president– Two year term in charge of the membership.

Secretary.– In charge of keeping minutes for all meetings.



Please fill out the enclosed form and include a brief bio, if you are interested in running for any of these offices. It takes a team of dedicated people to make this organization work, we need you to bring fresh ideas and inspiration to the board. Send forms back to jvogel@belton.org or mail to 520 Main St Belton Mo 64012 ATT: Jeff no later than February 25, 2009.

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The following prayer was written by Hollywood Code Enforcement Officer Michael J.F. Meeka, February 18, 1996 and Dedicated to all Code Enforcement Officers, past, present and future. (Printed with permission).

"A Code Enforcement Officers Prayer"

Oh Lord, my God, this city is so great, and my car is so small. Watch over me, and my brother and sister code officers as we go about our daily tasks.

Grant that I may reach my area, and then return home safely without being struck down, or injured in the line of duty.

We willingly go in harms way, to do our duty, to the best of our ability, and to support our loved ones. We go forth alone, unarmed, and unafraid, protected only by Your armor.

We pray Thee that today, not be the day that one of us knocks on the wrong door, at the wrong time.

If that awful moment should come, we pray that our families will be comforted by the knowledge that we will always hold a place of honor in the hearts, and minds of those who shared the hazards with us every working day. We know in our hearts that You will hold us in Your eternal grace for all time.

And at the end of our last tour of duty, out there oh Lord, we pray that all code officers be led by those who do not just "talk the talk," but by those who have "walked the walk."

If no one else acknowledges us Lord, we believe that You appreciate our sacrifices and will "enforce" this, a "Code Officers Prayer."



Code Enforcement Officer Killed during routine inspection

by Kim Ngan Nguyen ABC 7 News

AURORA, Colo. -- A uniformed code enforcement officer shot multiple times during a routine inspections at an Aurora apartment complex died Thursday afternoon. Rodney Morales, 40, was walking into the Clinton Apartments at Montview Boulevard and Clinton Street, at about 1:40 p.m., when he was gunned down, police said. He was struck in the upper torso, Aurora Police Chief Dan Oates said.

"I thought it looked pretty bad. There was a lot of blood on his shirt ... He looked sick, real sick," said witness Kane French. Morales's female partner was sitting in a white pickup truck outside when the shooting occurred in the 19-hundred block of Clinton Street, Aurora police spokesman Detective Bob Friel said. The city workers were investigating a routine zoning complaint and had no indication there would be any trouble inside the apartment, Friel said.

Morales was rushed to the University of Colorado Hospital in critical condition. He died one hour later. "He was just somebody who was just working to make this city a better place. It's just not right that this happened," said Aurora Mayor Ed Tauer.

\$10,000 Reward Offered For Information On Gunman

Police officers were at the scene within seconds of the shooting, but were still unable to find the gunman, Oates said. For five hours, police shut down a large area stretching from Montview Boulevard to Colfax Avenue, and from Yosemite to Havana streets, searching for him. "We searched that area again and again, some buildings three and four times. We were unsuccessful in identifying or finding the suspect," Oates said. Late Thursday night, SWAT officers were still pursuing leads as officers checked bus stops along Colfax and Montview. Police spent more than a half-hour inspecting a garbage Dumpster just north of Colfax and Yosemite, although it's not clear what they found, if anything.

The gunman, deemed "armed and dangerous," was described as a 22-year-old black man about 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighing 155 pounds. He has distinctive hair; an Afro that is 1 to 2 inches above his skull, police said. Witnesses said he was wearing dark jeans, a black hooded sweatshirt, white and blue Nikes, and a gray polo shirt.

Police said at the time of the shooting, he had been wearing a gray hoodie with the words "South Pole" written in red letters. The sweatshirt was recovered not far from the shooting location. Police released a picture of the sweatshirt, hoping someone would recognize it and perhaps name the person who may have worn it.

Police also offered a \$10,000 reward seeking information that would lead to the gunman's arrest. "This was a cold-blooded killing. We need the assistance of the community to find this killer. We're asking for all your help," Oates said at a Thursday night news conference. Detective Gretchen Fronapfel is now leading the case. Anyone with information on the shooting is asked to call 303-739-6013.

For hours, residents were told to avoid the area as dozens of SWAT officers armed with rifles and automatic weapons went door to door and K-9 officers fanned out trying to track down the assailant. He was last seen running south, police said.

Morales Was Just Doing His Job

The victim is a city of Aurora employee, and was wearing a uniform that does not resemble a police officer's blue uniform, so the victim should not have been mistaken for an officer, Friel said. City enforcement officers are not armed. The city of Aurora would not say who or what was the target of the city inspection. Code enforcement officers enforce city zoning and housing codes. They make sure housing rules are obeyed and properties are well maintained. Unkempt yards, overgrown weeds, cars parked on unpaved surfaces, and indoor furniture abandoned outdoors could prompt a visit from a code enforcement officer. The City of Aurora Neighborhood Support Division is staffed with 19 code enforcement officers that are each assigned a designated area in the city, according to the city's Web site. Morales had worked for the city for 2 1/2 years. "We're here to ask for the community's help to find the person who did this and to make sure that things like this never happen again," Tauer said. "We want to express our heartfelt condolences to the family, to Rodney's friends, to all the city employees who lost a great friend and coworker tonight .



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17th Annual Business and Educational Conference

Date: March 25-27 2009

Location: University Plaza Hotel Spring Filed Mo

333 John Q. Hammons Parkway

Springfield, MO 65806

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CONFERENCE AGENDA

Tuesday

Join us in the hospitality room (ask at the front desk for MACE hospitality room) for socializing and networking, refreshments will be provided. 8:00 p.m. -????

Wednesday

Tentative Schedule

7:30-8:00 –Registration
8:00 – 8:15 – Welcome – Pearline Mcfall
8:15-10:15 – Legal Aspects of Code Enforcement (ICC Instructor)
10:15 – 10:30 – Break
10:30-11:30 – Legal Aspects of Code Enforcement (ICC Instructor) Continued
11:30-12:30 – Lunch
12:30 2:30 – Legal Aspects of Code Enforcement (ICC Instructor) Continued
2:30-2:45- Break
2:45-4:30- Legal Aspects of Code Enforcement (ICC Instructor) Continued
4:30 – 5:00 Introduction of candidates, closing Jeff Vogel

Outside activity provided meet in the hospitality room at 7:00 p.m. for more information.

Thursday

07:30-08:00 - Registration
8:00-8:15- Welcome – Pearline McFall
8:15-8:30 – Announcement and misc. information
8:30-9:00 – Meeting
9:00-9:15 - Break
9:15-12:00 - 2006 IPMC Fundamentals” ICC Speaker
12:00-1:00 – Lunch
1:00-3:00 – 2006 IPMC Fundamentals” ICC Speaker Continued
3:00-3:15 – Break
3:15-4:00 - 2006 IPMC Fundamentals” ICC Speaker Continued
4:00-4:15 – Group Photo
4:15 – 5:00 - Final word from Candidates, voting, Closing James Sisk

Thursday 6:30-8:30 Dinner banquet announcement of Officers, awards and ?????

Hospitality room will open after the banquet (ask at the front desk for MACE hospitality room)

Friday

7:30-8:00 – Registration
8:00-09:30 – Open group discussion Mace strategic planning –an open discussion on the exciting new opportunities we as members now have, and where we as a group would like to take MACE and how do we achieve our goals?
9:30-11:30 – Electrical Safety- Certified instructor
11:30-12:00- Closing Tamara Gray & Pearline Mcfall



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17th Annual Conference Registration Form
March 25-27 2008

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room rate \$92.00

Call John Q Hammons directly to make your room reservations no later than February 25, 2009

Name: _____ Title: _____

Jurisdiction _____

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Phone # (____) _____ Fax# (____) _____

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MACE membership new/renewal \$30.00 _____

Conference Cost members \$135.00 _____

Non members price \$195.00 _____

Daily rate- \$65.00 Members _____

Daily rate non members \$95.00 _____

Total amount enclosed _____

Daily rates only

Dates attending: _____

Banquet dinner preference Grilled sesame chicken _____ Pork Tender loin _____

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